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PATENT

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INVENTOR(S) : Philip G. Foell et al.

TITLE : Project Planning System and Method
for Accommodating AD HOC
Requests Within A Fixed Core
Development Cycle

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AMENDMENT A

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed December 7, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.